

T12P06 / Corporate Power and Developing Countries

Topic : T12 / Policy, Business and Interest Groups

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GENERAL OBJECTIVES, RESEARCH QUESTIONS AND SCIENTIFIC RELEVANCE

Quite a challenge for business in developing countries in the area of public policy is a blockage resulting from the deficit and complexity of regulations. It is worth emphasizing that more and more interest groups in and beyond business is trying to influence on the conditions of citizens and firms. In order to improve the lives of people in developing countries, different interest groups should have a real impact on changing public policy and regulation. Until we offset the difficulties that have an impact on legislative changes in developing countries economic and social progress will be halted in the different fields. Consequently, this process may lead to the inhibition of the economy and will have a negative impact on the lives of citizens in these countries.

Strategic, overarching aim of the research will be an analysis on the possibility of conducting lobbying by interest groups in the developing countries and their impact on public policy. The lobbying activity is a process of constant interaction between interest groups and political institutions to reach an agreement on the control of certain variables in public policy fields. Furthermore, lobbying in the developing countries is a dynamic variable and depends on the one hand on the processes taking place at international levels and on the other hand on legislative changes in individual countries.

The aim of this panel is to engage in a discussion on the actions taken by business and that that affect the lives of citizens and firms through various public policies. This panel seeks to study the influence of business in relation to: the differences of corporate strategies in developing countries, and the variation in patterns of institutional path dependence and styles of regulation. The panel aims for an in-depth examination to be undertaken on the impact of business on public policy.

CALL FOR PAPERS

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Session 1

Friday, June 30th 13:45 to 15:45 (Block B 5 - 5)

Discussants

Aynsley Kellow (University of Tasmania)

Palm Oil Certification and Modern Slavery: how certified companies operate in amazonian context

Nirvia Ravena de Sousa (Center for Advanced Studies of the Amazon -NAEA-UFPa and Amazonia University Brazil)

Governing China's national champions: policy regime and corporate governance in China's central state-controlled enterprise sector

Chen Li (Faculty of Social Science and Center for China Studies)

Interest groups as actors influencing the process of reforming the European Union: The Case of Poland

Jaroslaw Czub (Department of Law and European Union Institutions, Faculty of Political Science and International Studies, University of Warsaw)

Institutions, Corporate Political Strategies and Economic Development: The Cases of Turkey and South Korea

Ceyhun Emre Dogru (Koc University)

Role of Corporate in Science and Technology Policy Change in Lao PDR

Herlin Chien (National Pingtung University of Science and Technology)